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#### Field Crops

## **Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops**

Bolls are open on 95 percent of the State's cotton acreage and harvesting is 15 percent completed. Cotton condition is mostly fair to good. Alfalfa harvest was active on over three quarters of the State's acreage. Alfalfa condition remains mostly fair to good. Range and pasture conditions across the State vary from poor to good, depending on location and elevation.

Last week central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes and honeydews.

**Crop Condition** 

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	- Percent -							
Alfalfa	0	11	31	46	12			
Cotton	0	1	42	47	10			
Range and Pasture	13	25	38	21	3			

**Crop Progress** 

		Crop i rogress						
	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.				
	- Percent -							
Cotton								
<ul> <li>Bolls Opening</li> </ul>	95	90	92	96				
Harvested	15	12	18	14				

### **Weather Summary**

Temperatures were mostly below normal across the State for the week ending September 30. Temperatures ranged from 8 degrees below normal at Yuma to 4 degrees above normal at Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 100 degrees at Roll, and the lowest reading occurred in Grand Canyon at 26

degrees. Precipitation was reported at 3 of the 22 reporting stations. Canyon De Chelly received the most at 0.23 inches of precipitation and Willcox received the least with 0.01 inches. Three stations are currently above normal precipitation for the year to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data September 24 - September 30, 2007

September 24 - September 30, 2007								
	Temperature				Precipitation			
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	71	-6	92	48	0.00	4.09	-3.35	55
Buckeye	77	-6	98	55	0.00	2.96	-2.39	55
Canyon De Chelly	57	-5	85	33	0.23	6.46	-0.53	92
Coolidge	74	-4	99	49	0.00	4.12	-1.15	78
Douglas	73	3	92	52	0.00	10.95	0.26	102
Flagstaff	49	-5	71	28	0.00	11.36	-5.48	67
Grand Canyon	49	-2	74	26	0.00	9.92	-5.25	65
Kingman	65	-6	87	45	0.00	1.91	-5.47	26
Marana	78	0	97	56	0.00	5.65	-2.38	70
Maricopa	77	-3	98	51	0.00	3.90	-1.25	76
Paloma	74	-7	96	52	0.00	2.86	-1.94	60
Parker	75	-7	97	54	0.00	0.80	-2.21	27
Payson	63	-2	82	40	0.00	13.34	-2.91	82
Phoenix	82	-1	98	66	0.00	2.67	-2.68	50
Prescott	61	-2	81	42	0.00	6.07	-9.27	40
Roll	76	-7	100	51	0.00	0.92	-1.27	42
Safford	73	2	95	51	0.00	9.19	2.03	128
St. Johns	62	0	83	40	0.08	8.33	-0.58	93
Tucson	78	2	95	60	0.00	8.22	-0.98	89
Willcox	71	4	93	50	0.01	11.49	1.63	117
Winslow	62	-3	86	37	0.00	5.11	-0.79	87
Yuma	76	-8	97	55	0.00	0.34	-2.07	14

<sup>1/</sup> Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

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